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Please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title and before "TECHNICAL FIELD", insert:

--This application is a continuation patent application of International Application PCT/JP00/05207 (not published in English) filed August 3, 2000.--

## REMARKS

The amendment to page 1 provides the statutorily required notice.

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